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**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2018 3:34 PM  
**To:** Patricia Sandoval  
**Cc:** Joshua Rubenstein; Ryan Carter  
**Subject:** Re: Hit and Run Cases / Solve Rates

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**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2018 9:54 AM  
**To:** Joshua Rubenstein  
**Subject:** Re: LA Daily News photographer request for ride along

Hi Josh,  
Wondering if you had a chance to see the email I sent you last week.  
Thanks,  
Sarah  
323 393-9585

On Tue, Apr 24, 2018 at 10:28 AM, Sarah Reingewirtz <[sreingewirtz@scng.com](mailto:sreingewirtz@scng.com)> wrote:  
Hi Mr. Rubenstein,

I am a photographer with the LA Daily News and Southern California News Group. I was on a news assignment yesterday in Valley Village where LAPD officers were looking for a suspect. Officers mentioned to me that the North Hollywood station is the busiest in the Valley and that is partially the result of AB109.

I would like to document in both photos and video the challenges of police work and how it has changed in light of AB109 and Prop 47. Could you arrange for me to go on a handful of ride-alongs with the North Hollywood station? Also, it would be nice to photograph from a police helicopter too. I'd like to start as soon as possible and I would like to do this at the station's busiest times so that I have many opportunities to tell the story.

I look forward to your response.

Thank you so much,  
Sarah Reingewirtz  
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**From:** Winton, Richard <Richard.Winton@latimes.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 5:50 PM  
**To:** Joshua Rubenstein  
**Subject:** Tony Cardenas

Josh  
Has the department received a report of molestation allegation against Tony Cardenas at Hillcrest Country Club in 2007? The report would be recent.

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**From:** Smith, Dakota <Dakota.Smith@latimes.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 1:41 PM  
**To:** Joshua Rubenstein  
**Cc:** alex.comisar@lacity.org  
**Subject:** FW: cost of mayor's security detail

Hi!

I'm looking for some answers on these questions.

Thanks so much,  
Dakota

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**From:** Smith, Dakota  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 4:00 PM  
**To:** 'Joshua N Rubenstein'  
**Cc:** alex.comisar@lacity.org  
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Right, I expected that response.

Can you tell me whether the mayor used city-funded security on his out of state trips for the following time frame? 04/25/2016 to 04/25/18

Please provide a breakdown of which ones used city-funded security and which ones didn't.

Best,

Dakota

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**Sent:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 3:56 PM  
**To:** Smith, Dakota  
**Cc:** alex.comisar@lacity.org  
**Subject:** Re: cost of mayor's security detail

Dakota-

Unfortunately we are not able to give out this information, as it could potentially undermine the Mayor's safety and security.

Josh Rubenstein

On Apr 25, 2018, at 3:48 PM, Smith, Dakota <[Dakota.Smith@latimes.com](mailto:Dakota.Smith@latimes.com)> wrote:

Hi Josh and Alex,

I'm working on a story about the mayor's out of state travels and the cost to taxpayers of his security detail.

Please provide the overall costs incurred by the mayor's security detail, as well as the cost of the detail accompanying his family members or staff, if they were present, during out of state travels for the time frame of: 04/25/2016 to 04/25/18.

Specifically, please include the following breakdown:

The number of hours each officer/guard worker worked on the trip

The costs of all airline trips, hotels, cars, meals and any other expenses incurred by the detail during the out of state travel.

The number of security officers that accompanied the mayor and or his family/staff on the trip.

If a local security detail was used and the city reimbursed that security detail, please provide the cost of those reimbursements.

Separately, I have asked Alex just for information on the recent Iowa trip, so I expect to see that in this response from you.

Thanks!

Deadline is end of day Tuesday.

Dakota

L.A. Times reporter

Cell: [REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 10:05 AM  
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Thanks Brenda...

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**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 9:41:42 AM  
**To:** Patricia Sandoval  
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Thank you.

Brenda

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**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 8:27 AM  
**To:** Patricia Sandoval  
**Subject:** golden state killer and DNA lab

Hi Trish,

Is there any way we could take some photos inside your DNA lab? I'm working on a story about serial killers and the technology used to catch them, in relation to the Golden State killer. I know that wasn't your case, but you've had the Grim Sleeper etc.

Hoping for today, but tomorrow would also work. If today, it would likely just be a photographer -- I'll be busy writing the story. Let me know, thanks!

Cindy Chang  
Staff writer, Los Angeles Times  
cindy.chang@latimes.com  
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OK. Will do.

Also, my phone is currently in repair, so I'm only really available by e-mail right now and will be out of contact the next few days. It might be best if Central Traffic waits to contact me until next week.

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Shadowing the street racing unit is fairly important in allowing us to let our readers know that the LAPD takes the issue seriously. Considering the department is well behind the California Highway Patrol in tracking the data (despite the city being a prominent area where racing takes place) and that the department failed to comply with a City Council ordinance requiring the tracking of such data for years, I would imagine the department would want to allow us to portray its efforts to combat street racing fairly and accurately.

We can't do that if we can't see it first hand. As I have told your previously, the CHP has already agreed to grant us the same access.

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**To:** Joshua N Rubenstein  
**Cc:** alex.comisar@lacity.org  
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Right, I expected that response.

Can you tell me whether the mayor used city-funded security on his out of state trips for the following time frame? 04/25/2016 to 04/25/18

Please provide a breakdown of which ones used city-funded security and which ones didn't.

Best,

Dakota

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**To:** Brenda Gazzar  
**Subject:** RE: LA Daily News request: LAPD's hit-and-run solve rate?

Hello Brenda,

I have not forgotten about your request. The Traffic Bureaus are trying to get the information your requested.

Thank you,  
Trish

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**From:** Brenda Gazzar [mailto:bgazzar@scng.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 9:19 AM  
**To:** Patricia A Sandoval <25981@lapd.online>  
**Subject:** Re: LA Daily News request: LAPD's hit-and-run solve rate?

Thank you Capt. Sandoval. I appreciate your help.

On Tue, Apr 24, 2018 at 5:40 PM, Patricia A Sandoval <[25981@lapd.online](mailto:25981@lapd.online)> wrote:

Brenda,

I've reached out to each Bureau and am awaiting their response. I understand you want a consistent time frame.

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**Subject:** Re: LA Daily News request: LAPD's hit-and-run solve rate?

Also, I wanted to clarify that I would need the same time period for each bureau. Thanks again.

Best,

Brenda


On Tue, Apr 24, 2018 at 3:41 PM, Brenda Gazzar <[bgazzar@scng.com](mailto:bgazzar@scng.com)> wrote:

Thanks Capt. Sandoval. Yes. Please provide me with the hit-and-run solve rate (and how many of those solved resulted in arrests) for each bureau for a three-year period if possible -- for example, 2013-2016 or 2013-2015.

If this is not possible, then a one year-period -- such as 2015 or 2016 would be fine.

My deadline is end of day Thursday.

Thanks again.

Brenda Gazzar  
Los Angeles Daily News  


On Tue, Apr 24, 2018 at 1:26 PM, Patricia A Sandoval <[25981@lapd.online](mailto:25981@lapd.online)> wrote:

Hello Brenda,

I had an opportunity to review your e-mails and speak to Sergeant Montgomery and our PIO. I am not quite sure how the LA Times received their information, but according to the Detective in Charge at Traffic Coordination Section, which falls under Emergency Operations Division, City-wide hit and run solve rates are not tracked. Each of the four Traffic Bureaus may keep the statistics you are searching for, but it is not something readily available to Media Relations Division. If you would like, I can reach out to each of the Traffic Bureaus and verify if they have this information and if so, attempt to retrieve it for you.

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I'm trying to get the most up-to-date numbers you have on LAPD hit-and-run solve rates and arrest rates. (For example, if you have this data for a three year period, like from 2012-2015 or from 2013-2016)

Josh noted to me in an email several weeks ago that apparently this is a request that has to go to the Emergency Operations Division.

Then I got an email last week from Media Relations saying according to the Traffic Coordination Section Unit the LAPD

does not keep track of city wide hit and run solve rates. (But this does not makes sense in light of the Times obtaining that data )

Please let me know if you have this data and when I'll be able to get it. (Otherwise, I may be forced to write in my article that the LAPD claims they do not keep track of any of this hit-and-run data).

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

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Los Angeles Daily News



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Date: Tue, Mar 27, 2018 at 10:07 AM

Subject: LAPD's hit and run solve rate?

To: Joshua Rubenstein <[n5373@lapd.online](mailto:n5373@lapd.online)>, MEDIA RELATIONS PIO <[pio@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:pio@lapd.lacity.org)>

Hi Josh:

Can you please tell me what the solve rate currently is for hit and runs in the city of Los Angeles?

[This LA Times article](#) from 2015 says this: From 2008 to 2012, according to the most recent public data, the LAPD solved only one in five hit-and-run cases. Of those cases, fewer than half were closed through an arrest.

Can you confirm this or give me updated data? Or show me where I can find it online? I'm on deadline for today.

Many thanks.

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Kind regards,

Brenda Gazzar

Los Angeles Daily News/Southern California News Group

818-713-3138 or cell: [REDACTED]

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**Cc:** Joshua N Rubenstein; Michael T Wang; Chris Ramirez  
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Thank you,  
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My deadline is end of day Thursday.

Thanks again.

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**Subject:** LA Daily News photographer request for ride along

**Follow Up Flag:** Flag for follow up  
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Hi Mr. Rubenstein,

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**From:** Patricia A Sandoval  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 22, 2018 7:20 AM  
**To:** Queally, James; William P Hayes  
**Subject:** Re: Skid Row Stabber

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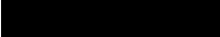
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<http://assets.lapdonline.org/assets/pdf/cityprof.pdf>

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Hi: Can you send the latest crime – compstat numbers that Garcetti used in his state of the city?

The ones online (though 3/31) have different figures.

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L.A. Times reporter

Cell: [REDACTED]